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MR. BRYAN IN WASHINGTON

The White Metal Champion Given a Cordial Reception.

A BANQUET IN HIS HONOR

Distinguished Members of Both Parties Gather at Mr. McLean's Residence-The Occasion Free from Politics-Warmly Greeted at the Capitol.

Hon. William Jennings Bryan, accomgamed by Mrs. Bryan and his little daughter, Grace, arrived in the city from the West over the Baltimore and Oldo Railroad at 3:30 o'clock vesterday afternoon Mr. Bryan was expected to reach here late Tuesday might, but owing to the condulon of the roads between this city and Cumberland, due to the late flood, his coming was unavoidably postponed and the exact I our of arrival was not generally

For this reason but few people were present when the train bearing the late Democratic candidate for the Presidency rolled into the depot. However, a goodly Lumber of local Democrats, who had been advised of Mr. Bryan's coming, were present to give their champion a loyal greeting. Among the number was James L. Norris president of the Jackson Democratic Asseciation; Hon Penton T. McMillin, Mr. Lawrence Gardner, Hon James G. McGaire, Hon, William Sulzer, of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. Cotter T. Bride, whose guests Mr. and Mrs. Bryan will be doring their stay in the city.

Owing to the fact that Mr. Bryan has made an engagement to speak in New York city on Friday and Saturday of this week, his stay here will be necessarily He is expected to return next Monday, however, and may possibly re main to witness the inaugural ceremonic incident to the induction into office of President McKinley.

Mr. Bryan's physical appearance was in marked contrast to that presented or his last visit to this city, during the height of the political campaign last September He has lost the look of fatigue that characterized him during his memorable fight for the cause of silver. His raddy com-plexion and elastic step indicates that he is enloving the best of health.

Mr. Bryan bowed his acknowledgement to his many friends, who greeted him with cheers as he passed through the depot While the number of people who were present was insignificant compared to those who greeted him on his tast visit, their welcome was none the less enthusiastic. Mr. Bryan was attired in a black frock

suit, distinguished by a low out vest, which The black slouch but that was such a marked characteristic of his does during the late campaign, was much it evidence. Mrs. Bryan was becomingly at-tired in a tailor-made frock of gray material, and wore a handsome scal skin A black Gainsborough hat, or which estrich plants were completionally displayed, completed her costume

Mr. Bryan, together with Messrs Bride Norris and McMillin, entered an open car riage that was waiting at the New Jersey avenue entrance of the depot. Mrs. Byran with her little daughter and Mrs. Bride followed in an equippage close behind As the carriage bearing the notable guest sped away in the direction of Mr. Bride's someone in the crowd which scrobled about the depot pror three obeers for the next President. The illingness with which the crowd responde showed that the cause of sliver has many warm advocates within the confines of

The party was driven rapidly to Mr Bride's residence, No. 129 B street, south east, where Mr. Bryan and his friends partook of a sumptuous lunch. Afterward Mr. Bryan walked leisurely to the Capitol.

Upon his arrival there he was met by several of his former associates, who adocted him to the cloukroom. As soon as it became known that Mr. Bryan was in the Capitol the passages were blocked with people who were anxious to grasp his hand. He was soon surrounded and given a cordial greeting to all. After the imprompts reception, held in the cloak-House by Mr. McMillin. His appearance was the signal for prolonged applause on the Democratic side of the House, in which

Mr. Bryan walked to his old seat and was immediately surrounded by a throng of admirers who eagerly grasped his hand Many condoled with him over the result of the election, and wished him better luck next time, For each and all he had a cordial word. Mr. Bryan later paid his respects to Speaker Reed, who greefed ain

To a Times reporter be said: "I have noth ing wholever to say regarding the present condition of the country. The Republicans have promised as good times; now let then prove it."

When questioned in regard to his present visit to the capital, Mr. Bryan said: "My visit here is purely of a social vature. I shall remain in Washington until Friday morning, when I leave for New York, I will return here on Monday."

Mr. Pryan will make two addresses in the metropolis on the financial question. His first speech will be delivered on Friday night, when he will discourse on the subfect of "Money." The following even ing he will speak on the "Financial Problem." Foth addresses will be delivered at Carnegie Hall under the auspices of the Bimetallic League.

THE BANQUET TO MR. BRYAN.

Col. John R. McLean's Hospitality , to the Distinguished Visitor.

Hon. W. J. Bryan could scarcely have again participated in the social life of the National Capital under more agreeable and distinguishing circumstances than those which made him the guest of honor at the hangget tendered to him last evening by Col. John R. McLean. It might be also said with equal truth that there has not been in Washington this season a more historical or welcome visitor than the hero of the brilliant campaign of '96, no matter who won the material victory.

Mr. Bryan is historical, because he made himself so by the force of his genius; he is pleturesque by providence, and he is popular from shore to shore for both of these reasons. It has been such a short time ago since be was regarded as the arch-exponent of all the political and economic obliquities that there was just the least bit of philosophical and dramatic suggestion last night in his surroundings.

Of course, there was no politics at the feast, nothing indeed even reminiscent of that recently stalking skeleton, but in that very fact could be found another

tribute to the guest of honor.
It was quite evident from the fact that nobody of any consequence had declined to be present at this love feast that it was an easy undertaking for the host to gather around the festive heard the exact number of soldiers of all arms that used to be commanded by the hospitable Roman Centurion. It was equally evident from the courtesy and enthusiastic greeting of Mr. Bryan by the other guests that he had borne bimself right well in the late fight. and had so conserved its proprieties as to have retained all of his former official and

social friendships.
It might not be inaptalso to say that considering the happy reunion of chiefmins on both sides of that famous "lifty-three cent dollar" problem, and the exquisite scene in the banquet room that Col. Mc-Lean had it in mind to realize the pretty phrase of the apples of gold in baskets

of silver. The guests were exactly a hundred in umber, and were representative or the siness, social and political life, not only of the capital, but of this and other There were men there who not only have made but are still making, history, and men who wrote history with equal fidelity to trath on opposite sides of the recent flery campaign.

The number of guests made it necessary make one of the beautiful art gallery and the ballroom, for which purpose the brown open. The arrangement was made so that the archway between the apart sents was midway over the table. The adornment of the table was rich and gor-geous, the distinctive feature being Meteor es, which were disposed in clusters and oblong banking from one end to the other. The red color was relieved here and there by bits of trailing green. The centerpiece was a basket of magnificent roses, interspersed with ferns, filese resting on a mirror in a frame of Venetian gold. At equal distances from this massive decoration were two epergnes of crystal, filled with flowers and Farleyenses ferns. The light was furnished by a double row of undelabra, the candles being shaded by red tissue and filigree; beside these being sufficient number of single candlesticks nd lights placed here and there among the fioral effects, the great volume of

lumination being from above. These features give, of course, only a fair idea of the general effect of the table, which was enhanced by the architectural beauty of the rooms, with their rich and curious carvings, in old oak, and especially he superb mantel at the south end of the The interest of and in the highly artistic scene was heightened by the naisic which was made by the Marine Band, under the direction of Prof. Fanci-

The head of the table was at the south end of the room. At the head sat the host, on his left being Mr. Bryan. On Mr. Bryan's right were Senator Gorman and the Russian ambassador, and nearest to Col. McLean, Vice President Stevenson Senator Hill, and Senator Gray. Bryan's vis a vis down the long, glittering vista at the other end of the table was Senator J. K. Jones of Arkansas, opposite of McLean being Senator Teller of Colo

The other guests were distributed with ut distinction of place, and were as fol-

Hon. Charles A. Town, Mr. Dixon, Rep. resentative Amos J. Commings, Senator White of California, Mr. Joseph Rickey, Mr. William C. MacBride, Mr. Edwin War-field, of Maryland; Mr. Victor Baugiman of Maryland: Gov. Kellogg, Mr. R. T. Bough, of Ohio; Mr. Scott Bone, of Wash nuton: Mr. Lawrence Gardner, of Wash ington; Mr. S. J. Stefer, of Washington; Senator M. C. Butler, Gen. Hen. Lefevre, Mr. J. J. Hemphill, Judge Hagner, Mr. Francis Newlands, Senator Pugh, Mr. Wil to P Morrison Mr J M Carson of Philadelphia, Representative Sayers, Sen stor Bacon, Mr. C. H. Grosvenor, Senator Chilton, Mr. S. C. Berry, of Kentucky; Mr. F. P. Morgan, of Washington; Mr. Bart Washington; Mr. A. H. Lewis, Senator Murphy, Senetor Gallinger, Mr. H. Merrick, of Washington; Mr. P. V. De iraw, of Washington; Mr. Alfred Fletcher, of Washington; Gen. Joseph Wheeler, Mr. Ivey K. Hill, of Ohio; Mr. Charles Boyn ton, Senator John W. Daniel, Mr. Joseph Bailey, of Texas; Mr. John C. Poor, of Washington; Senator Blanchard, Mr. P. J. Sorg, of Ohio; Senator Cockrell, Senator J. K. Jones, Senator C. N. Gibson, Col

J. G. Berret, Senator Bate, Mr. George Fred. Williams, of Massachusetts; Senated Teller, Mr. Richardson, of Tennessee; Mr. Berian Wilkins, of Washington; Mr. James L. Norris, of Washington; Senator John T. Morgan, Senator J. C. S. Blackburn, Sen ator William W. Stewart, Senator Turple Col. L. Q. Washington, Representative Wads worth, of New York; Mr. Charles J. Bell of Washington; Mr. Benton McMillin, of Tennessee; Mr. Fred. May, Russian minister, Mr. Stilson Hutchins, of Washington; Senator Gray Capt. Kerlin, Senator Call, Mr. Blair

Lee, of Washington; Senator Gorman, Sen stor Martin, Senator Walthall, Senator Money, Mr. George C. Gorham, Senator Faulkner, Mr. F. B. McGuire, of Wash ngton; Mr. Richard Weightman, of Wash igton: Mr. C. C. Glover, of Washington ex-Senator Davis, of Virginia; Senato ameron, Vice President Stevenson, Mr. ohn W . Thompson, of Washington; Senator Hill, Mr. Tomlinson, of Alabama; Mr. D McCenville, Mr. S. E. Johnson, Mr. Rob-

ert Mattingly, and Mr. C. T. Bride. These gentlemen were received in the drawing-room by Col. McLean, where the subling was witnessed by a number of

adies in the gallery of the ballroom. It was a dinner none the less agreeable cause the customary speeches were omit ted from the program. There was, however, absolutely everything else that could charm or please the senses. It need not, therefore, be said, except for the saying, that there was an abundance of good wines and old vines, delightful music, works of art, flow ers, and a rare gathering of the best talk rs of the day. The banquet was over a bout 10 o'clock, when the guests arose and talked late over old times and possibly not

such ancient days. Mr. Bryan was not heard to say so, but there can be no doubt that he thought that if there could be any con for a deferred banquet in the White House t was a banquet in such a beautiful home as that of the McLeans, among such sin cere and appreciative friends. It was a courtesy promptly conceived, and carried out in a style which is rare even in such a place as Washington, the center of lavish and Lospitable entertainment

Swell Society Ruined Smith.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 24 .- Otis Smith, casher of the Georgia Security and Banking Company, who is in jail for embezzling \$10,000, says that his effort to keep up the gait of swell scolety here caused him to so wrong.

Blinds, Any Size, \$1 a Pair. Libbey & Co., 6th st. and N. Y. avc.

The Daughters of the American Revolution at Work.

THEY WANT LITTLE CHANGE

Officers to Be Elected Today and a Number of Ladies in High Station Are Talked Of-Contributions for a Continental Hall Are Enthusiastically Made.

The Daughters of the American Revolution on yesterday, the third day of their sixth congress, now in session here, voted to appropriate the current fund of \$10,-328,95, held in the form of government bonds, to the erection of a Continental Hall in this city. It was stated that a site, containing nearly an acre on the Monument Lot, would probably be given them by the United States governm Also a large amount of money was re-ported as collected or pledged. The total and on hand is between \$20,000 and \$25,000.

The discussion of preposed changes in the constitution was taken up at the afternoon session and continued at night. Reports of the charter committee and auditor were received. The question of publishing reports of national board meetings in leaflets or in the official magazine was discussed and set for determination

Mrs. Adlai E. Stevenson presided at the morning session, and was assisted in parliamentary matters of Cot. William E. Speucer. journal clerk of the Senate. The chap Isin general, Mrs. J. J. Bollock, offered

The report of the auditing committee, as uade up by Henry H. Flather, was presented by Dr. Julia C. Harrison, and showed the finances to be in good condition. It was approved. The report of the commit-won Continental Hall, made by Mrs. Shepace, of Chicago, showed about \$6,000 already collected. Upon motion of State Regent Avery, of Ohio, \$10,388 was added from thecurrent fund. An offer of an immediate contribution from Georgia was an example and for an hour checks, cash and pledges poured in. The following list includes near-Red, White and Blue C. A. R., D. C., \$10;

Mrs. Brown, Sing Sing, N. Y., \$25; Washington Heights Chapter, \$100; Washington Heights, C. A. R., \$50; Mrs. Gallagher, New York, \$20; Lord Baltimore Chapter, Maryland, \$5; Abigail Pheips Chapter, \$300; Mrs. James Melton, Pennsylvania. \$100; Mrs. Conover, Connecticut, \$10; Mrs. English, Connecticut, \$10; Mrs. Peets, Connecticut, \$10; Mrs. Frank Walker, \$10; Mrs. Bond, Massachusetts, \$10; Miss Batch eller, New Jersey, \$10; Mrs. Moore, New Jersey, \$10; Nora Caesera Chapter, New Jersey, \$25; Bondinet Chapter, New Jersey, \$25; Eagle Rock Chapter, New Jersey, \$15; Mrs. Moses, New Jersey, \$5; Mrs. d. New Jersey, \$50; Member, \$10; Mrs. Haley, \$10; Little Men and Women of '76, Brooklyn, N. Y., \$10; Pennsylvania member, \$1; Washington member, \$5; hold, Massachusetts, S5; Mrs. Oliver, Pennsylvania, \$25; Mrs. Hamilton, Hagerstown Md., \$10; Mrs. Hazen, New York, \$25; Mrs. Kennedy, Chicago, \$25; Mrs. Hesing, Chicago, \$15; State regent, Maryland, \$10; Mrs. Burhaus, New York, \$25; Mrs. Keim, D. C., \$25; Freda B. Stone Chapter, Connecticut, \$100; Mrs. Bowman, \$10; Frederick Chapter, Maryland, \$15; Mrs. Christopher, Florida, \$25; Mrs. Spangler, \$10; Mrs. A. Howard, Hinkle, Onio, \$200; Mrs. Jennie W. Hopkins, New York, \$10; Mrs. Ayer, St. Paul, Minn. \$2; Mrs. Barrington Chicago, \$25; Mount Vernon Chapter, Virginia, \$10; Georgia menibers, \$50; Mrs. Beidler, Illinois, \$25; Mohawk Chapter, New York, \$375; Mrs. Schenck, Connecticut, \$10; Mrs. Schantz, New York, \$50; Mrs. J. E. Palmer, Maine. \$10: Oxford Parish Chapter, Connecticut, \$10; Mrs. G. M. Bacon, Georgia, \$25; Saratoga Chapter, New York, \$25; Mrs. Mead, New Jersey, \$25; Mrs. Harrison, South Carolina, 85; Mrs. Tillingbast, South Caro lina, \$5; Mrs. Haley, Brooklyn, N. Y., \$10; Fort Greene Chapter, \$40; Mrs. Post, New York, \$100; Wyeming Valley Chapter, \$100; Muskingum, Onio, Chapter, \$10; Toledo, Ohio, Chapter, \$10

It was atmounced that a Pennsylvania lady had given \$2,000 for the hall in a codicii of her will. A California lady said her State had a contribution, but the State regent had at the last minute been hindered from coming to the meeting. Pennsylvania and Indiana delegates stated that their States had been engaged in works involving large expenses at home, would contribute liberally this year. Mrs. F. P. Earle, in the afternoon pledged her self to "ake the subscription of the East Washington Heights Chapter.\$1,000 if all congresses of the order should continu to be held in Washington.

The proposition of Mrs. Boynton to put lish the full proceedings of the national board immediately after each meeting as leaflets to be sent to all State and chap ter regents, one copy for each, was dis cussed. Dr. McGee, spoke at length of the expense, and said if all that was said and ne at the board meetings in a two or three days' session were published it would cost \$1,000 a year. The minutes could be printed at a smaller expense.

only be published. This would give what was done only, not what was said.

A delegate moved to amend that minutes

Mrs. Boynton said no delegate could rote intelligently here unless she knew all that was said in the board meetings. It certainly would not cost more than the

A delegate asked to whom the leaflets would be sent under the resolution. When it was stated that they would be sent to the chapter and State regents, one each a delegate said this would reach only a small part of the membership. One leaf-let for each chapter would be insufficient to convey the information to more than a small per cent of the chapter members. The Magazine reached 2,500 members, and that was probably more than would be reached by the leaflets. Another delegate said she took the Magazine especially

for the purpose of getting the minutes.

Mrs. Earle, of Brooklyn, said she had had experience in printing, and she con-sidered Dr. McGee's estimate too high. She would be glad to take a contract for printing the proceedings for the \$3,000 a year paid by the society to make up the loss on the Magazine. She wanted a full

Mrs. Draper, of Washington, said the cost of a stenographer must be considered. It would be \$25 a day. She also said in case the proceedings were printed, in three days from the time of the meeting, the recording secretary general would have it in her power to send out a report giving her view of any matter in

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THE FASTEST BOAT AFLOAT. This Claim is Made for Torpedo Boat No. 6.

New York, Feb. 24. The new gover ment torpedo boat, known as No. 6, said to be the swiftest craft affoat, ar rived at the Brooklyn Navy Yard this afternoon, after a remarkable run from Newport. R. I. She left Newport shortly after 7 o'clock this morning, in charge of Lieut Fremont, and manned by the crew of the

Cushing. It was decided not to crowd the little craft on the trip, so she was permitted to 160 pound steam pressure. But two of the three boilers were used, and only two-thirds of her maximum speed was maintained.

Despite the adverse conditions, she traveled the distance, about 160 miles, in 6 1-2 hours, making her average speed twenty-five knots per hour.
"There is no question." Eleut. Fremont said today, "about her being the fastest

boat in the world. Though we came through a howling gale this morning, she gave perfect satisfaction. There was no heating of engines and no trouble of any kind was noticed. No. 6 will leave the havy yard at 4

o'clock temerrow merning, coing to Norfolia Va.: thence to Washington. SECRETARY OLNEY SILENT

He Refuses to Discuss General Lee's Resignation.

The Impression Prevails That the Administration Will Hold the Matter Over.

The conviction is growing that the State Department has received the resignation of Consul General Fitzbugh Lee at Bayana he department officials, it is true, still deny official knowledge of the fact, but his may be because the actual letter of esignation, although it preceded the cable gram announcing the fact out of Havana has not yet arrived at the State Depart

inquiry at the department yesterday re arding the reported resignation of Consul General Lee did not elicit an affirmative answer. Secretary Oney and Assistant Secretary Rockilli gave out the non-com-mutal reply that if Gen. Lee had resigned he department had no official knowledge This is all that either could be in of it. fuced to say.

From reliable sources, however, it is

certained that Gen. Lee's resignation s expected at the department when the first Cuban mail arrives, but that it will not be accepted.

In discussing the matter, a high official of the State Department said to a Time

reporter yesterday: "According to the latest advices from Havana, Gen. Lee's resignation was based on the Scott case, and not that of Rule. The refusal of the Spanish officials to permit Gen. Lee to communicate with Scott was the origin of Lee's resignation. The consul general offers his resignation conditionally—that is, unless this government backed him up in his determination is ommunicate with Scott. Now it is stated hat the Spanish officials have decided to permit communication. Therefore, the be on which Gen. Lee's resignation was for

arded has been removed." The official also said Gen Lee would not be permitted to resign under any cir-numstances, as the administration will

hold up his resignation for one more week, if it has to do so The impression is gaining ground at the Capitol that there is a thorough understanding between Secretary Olney and the Spanish Minister, and that when Gen. Snanish minister immediately cabled to Spain and the desire of Gen. Lee to see Scott was granted thus relieving the situation. The Spanish authorities, how ever, contend that they have all along

permitted communication with Scott. Havana, Feb. 24.-The case of Dr. Ricardo Ruiz, the American citizen who was found dead under suspicious circun stances in his cell in the prison at Guana bacon, where he had been confined for some time in a state of incommicado, led to the request by Consul General Lee for the release from similar confinement of Mr Charles Franklin Scott, another American who was arrested on the 5th instant, which

request was granted by the authorities. The cases of Dr. Ruiz and Mr. Scott gave rise to the contention on the part of the United States consul general that American citizens cannot under the treaty between the United States and Spain be impris oned incomunicado longer than seventy two hours. No instructions have been received from the Washignton government by Consul General Lee as to what steps shall be taken regarding these cases.

THE KERR ROBBERY.

The Police Here Think His Story i Romance.

New York, Feb. 24. - Jeseph H. Kerr, th man who claims he was robbed of \$3,200. called to see Capt, O'Brien today. told the Captain that hearrived from Wash ington over the Baltimore and Ohio Rail-road, at 6:30 last night. He went direct to the Cosmopolitan Hotel, at Chambers street and West Broadway. He said he put on a dress suit intending to go to the theater. He had \$3,200 in a long wallet, which he placed in the inside pocket of his dress coat. He then told of the robbery, as already made known by the police.

Kerr said that he had speculated in stoocks in Washington. He also said he received \$2,500 six or eight months ago. which was his share of \$10,000 left by his father at his death. He stated that he had speculated at Willard's and Silsby' stock concerns in Washington and made several hundred dollars. He declared that no one knew he carried the \$3,200 with

Capt. O'Brien said that detectives were the neighborhood, but could find no one who had seen any men renning away or had beard any outery. Capt. O'Brien communicated with W. G. Moore, superintendent of police at Wash-

ington, and asked about Kerr's standing He received this message:
"Party has fair reputation. Had \$2,500 legacy year ago last September. ings with Silaby and Willard. His robbery probably romance."

84.50 Per Ton, is all right for Pez coal, but Chestnut No 2, at \$5 per ton, which I handle exclu sively, is worth more than the different in price. J. Maury Dove, 21st and I, 1626 M. 1206 H nw., and 13th and D sw.

Ivy Institute Business College, Sthand K None better. \$25 a year, day or night.

The Potomac Has Commenced to Slowly Subside.

TRAINS RUNNING ON TIME

Anxiety Here About the Condition of the River Has Been Relieved by Weather Bureau Reports Showing That High-Water Mark Had Been Reached.

The Potomac is subsiding. The danger point has been safely passed, and the property owners along the Georgetown whatves are breathing easier than the have for two days past.

Early yesterslay the welcome news can that the river at Harper's Ferry was at a standstill, and shortly after the Weather Bureau issued a bulletin, saying that the water had commenced to fall slowly. A fall there is always a sure indication that the volume of waters from the various tributaries is diminishing, and that a fall here may be expected within a few hours. Therefore, the attention of the Georgetown residents has been absorbed by the reports of the Weather Bureau on the situation at Harper's Ferry rather then the actual con lition of the river here.

Late last evening it was stated that the all at the Ferry was fully a foot an

At Great Falls the observer reported a tendy fall of one-fifth of an inch per hour. These two reports indicate a general fall of the water, and unless the unforseen happens in the way of more rain during the next twenty-four hours, the river will have very nearly resumed its normal co-

The Bultimore and Ohio Raliroad is now running its trains nearly on time. The track between Martinsburg and Cumberand, which has been inundated for two days past, allowed the passage of trainearly last evening, and the officials say the whote system will be run on regular schedule time today. No damage of importance has been caused

along the river front during the preva ence of the high water. The current is still much too swift, es pecially above the Long Bridge, for navi

gation of any sort, though it is said that ome attempts will be made today by river men to gather in a portion of the valuable driftwood that is being carried down stream continually

FAMILIES DRIVEN FROM HOME. The Flood Causing Great Damage to Ohio River Towns.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 24. - The Ohio River is still rising at the rate of two inches an our, which has been the rate for the past twelve hours. At 8 o'clock tonight lifty eight feet, four inches was the stage Atthough the river is falling at Pittsbarg it will take until Froday or Saturday for the crest of the rise to puss here under the most favorable circumstances. sixty-foot stage will be reached early to morrow morning.

park, the Ludiow lagoon and Coney Island are all more or less under water. The expensively constructed Gest street tamel and bridge is being rapidly undermined and is in great danger. Forty families applied at one charitable institution to-day for relief on account of high water driving them from home.

The suburbs of Dayton and Bellevue have peen cut off from street car connection at Newport, and travel is now by flatbont. The western part of Newport is suffering greatly. o'clock tonight that over 100 families had been driven from their homes by the water, and that the sixty-foot stage, expected by morning, would reach as many more. The ponce force of Newport is largely occupied in patrolling the sub-merged districts in skiffs, and seeing that all destitute are provided with shelter and

In Covington about twenty-five families moved out. At Riverside the town hall has been opened for flood sufferers, but only a few have asked for its shelter. There have been some narrow escapes from drownings, but no fatalities at all

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 24.-Reports to night from Pemeroy, Ironton, and Ports-mouth are that all of the business portions of those places are submerged, and many families are sleeping in public halls, schooliouses, and churches. No trains are entering Pomeroy tonight. W. Va., water is ten feet deep in some of the principal streets. Runtington, W. Va., is also in a deplorable state.

THE RIVER AT LOUISVILLE.

It Has Reached the Falls View

Hotel on Fourth Street. Louisville, Ky., Feb. 24.-At 11:30 o'clock there were sixteen feet of water on the Falls, two feet over the danger line. The river has reached the Opera House and Fails View Hotel, on Fourth street, and the lower portion of Shipping Port is

It is thought the rise will go to twenty-This will flood 150 busines nine feet. houses on lower Second, Third, and Fourth

Reports of loss of life in the Eastern Kentucky floor continue to come in. James M. Morgan, wife and child, were drowned in Floyd county, by the overflow of Beaver Creek, which destroyed their home. Elder Morton, a Mormonmissionary, wasdrowned near Mount Elkhorn. An unknown woman was drowned in Leslie county, and in Jackson county Henry Holcomb lost his life

At Barboursville the Cumberland River has forced a third of the population to move The Ohio is expected to come to a stand

while fring to ford a stream.

here tonight.

FALLING AT PITTSBURG.

The Damage There Will Reach Half a Million Dollars. Pittsburg, Feb. 24.-At midnight the river was twenty-three feet and falling The damage by water in Pittsburg and

vicinity will reach a half million dollars RISING AT HUNTINGTON.

The Water Five Feet Deep on Some of the Avenues

Huntington, W. Va., Feb. 24.-The Ohio River is still rising and the water is five feet deep on several of the avenues here In Central City this evening a number of residences, located in the West end, Were washed away by the strong current, and every hour brings new sof startling damages

in all saburban towns. Electric plants are flooded, schools are closed, and hun-dreds of the poor are occupying public buildings. No trains have arrived on the Norfolk and Western for four days, and none over the Ohio River Railroad for wenty-four hours.

MCKINLEY THANKS BUSHNELL The Appointment of Hanna a Special Favor to Him.

Columbus, Onto, Feb. 24.-Gov. Beshnell said tonight that he had received a let ter from President-elect McKinley thanking him for the appointment of Chairman M. A. Hanna to succeed Mr. Sperman in the Senate, which he has promised to

make. Major McKinley says in the letter that he regards the appointment as in part a special favor to him, as he joined with Senator Sperman in asking that Chairman Hanna be appointed to the vacancy

EX-AUDITOR MOORE ARRESTED Charged with the Embezzlement of

State Funds. Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 24.-Criminal action ras began this afternoon against Eugene Moore, ex-auditor of State, for the enoccidement of \$23,000 State money, being insurance fees collected by him during in ast term of office. The complaint is signed by Attorney General Smyth, and charges Moore with embezzlement and lar ceay of the money and failure to account to

the State for the same.
Attorney General Smyth and County Attorney Munger join in the prosecution, thus depriving the case of political or partisan

Mr. Moore surrendered to the sheriff this evening, gave bond in the sum of \$10,00

WHOLE FAMILY WIPED OUT

Nine People Struck By a Train and Killed.

Became Frightened and Dashed Onto the Track. Chattanooga, Tenn., Feb. 24.-One of

They Were in a Wagon-The Team

the most appalling tragedies of the rall, in number of fatalities, that has happened nthis section for many years occurred at o'clock this afternoon, on the Southern Railway, about four miles from this city. Incoming passenger train No. 7, travel ing at a high speed, struck a covered country wagon, which was trying to clear the tracks ahead of the train at Avondale

The wagon was hit squarely in the enter and with its ten occupants nuried nto the air. The occupants were Mrs. W. I. Woodward, her eight children, and one grandchild, all of whom with one ex-

ption, were killed. The dead include the following: William J. Woodward, Mrs. Lizzie Wood ward Montgomery, a married daughter aged twenty: two months' infantof daugh ter; George T. Woodward, aged twent; three; Delia Woodward, aged eighteen

Mary Woodward, aged infleen; Daisy Wood ward, aged fen. The last two names Impered several hours after the accident.

A striking feature of the calastrophe is that no limbs were broken, but in nearly every case the skulls of the victims were sushed to fragments, each body seeming to describe an ellipse through the air and falling upon its head, several fifty to one hundred feet awart from the scene. Lizzie Montgomery, a comely young matron, de and still held her two year-old sister, wh

escaped with a few scratches, and was the only one saved, in her lifeless arms. The onfortunates were the family of a vell-known former living near King's Point, Tenn. They were returning bona from this city in a Wagon of the "prairi schooner" type, and George Woodward, the oldest son, was driving. Nearing the crossing the young man heard the danger ignal and tried to check his team, Which owever, became unmanageable and dashed onto the track. This crossing is partic ularly dangerous, as trees fringe the mil ond almost to the crossing, which is also partly hidden behind a curve. Fifty yards rom the place the engineer, Abraham Laird, reversed his lever, having giver the usual deneer signal, but too late to do

any good. The ground for some distance presented a gory sight.

The todies were gathered up after muc searching and taken to the morgue, where he nine members of the same family made a gruerome spectacle. The infant which was undoubtedly shocked to death, lay there like a wax figure in its mother?

Every window in the passenger coaches was broken and the engine's pilot demollstied. The engineer is absolved from

blame for the accident WANT BRYAN TO STUMP OHIO. Democrats Will Endeavor to Select

Hanna's Successor.

Columbus, O., Feb. 24.-Arrangements are being made for a thorough stumping tour in Ohio by William J. Bryan in the coming campaign for the election of the legislature that will choose the success o Marcus A Hanna in the United States mate. Mr. Bryan, if he decides to come work in the interest of John R. McLean, who will be the candidate of

he Democrats for Senator. The Democratic lenders in Oldo believe int by hard work and good management a free silver Senator can be secured here They will rely largely upon the dissatisfaction which they expect to fellow the appointment of Mr. Hanna to the Senate, and appear in the Republican vote next fall.

THE COLMAN CASE.

Important Testimony Given in Favor of the Prisoner.

New York, Feb. 24.-In the afternoo-Capt. Thomas W. Munee, chief of the stamp division in the office of the Third Assist ant Postmaster General, testified that he had given Colman a number of proof stamps similar to those in question. The stamps had been given him by his chief to ourn or do anything else which he felt inclined. He turned them over to his from whom Cidman received twenty five

The case then went over to tomorrow.

Movements of the Texas. Galveston, Texas, Feb. 24. The United tates battleship Texas sailed for New Origons at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

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CONFLAGRATION AT CANEA

ONE CENT

The Governor's Palace With the Turkish Records Destroyed.

SAILORS FOUGHT THE FLAMES

The Distraction Caused by the Fire Was Taken Advantage of by the Moslem Rabble Who Ignited Several Houses in the Town and

London, Feb. 24.-The Polity News will tormerrow publish a dispatch from Canea giving a vivid description of the burnng of the governor's palace there today. Vice Admiral Canevaro, of the Italian squadron, who is in immediate command of the united naval forces in Cretan waters, resided in the polace, which was guarded

by a strong force of Italian sail chergetic efforts of the British marines, who form a part of the foreign force occupying the town, which were contin-ued for three hours, alone saved the thickpopulated districts in which the palace located from destruction. Detach ments of sullers from the warships in the narbor were handed and rendered valua-

de aid in fighting the flames actionry of the Turkish government. All of the records were consumed, as well as contracts, and financial, legal and munici-

al decarrents. While the palace was burning the Moslem abble set fire to several bogses in the newn and suburbs. The Montenegrin police who atrolled the town extinguished these fires henit was possible for them to the so, but aree large houses belonging to Christian perchants, who were absent, were de-troyed. The Mosleius are much excited, and more incendingism is expected. In the event of setting on fire of several huidings n different sections at the same time, the orce of sadors and marines now in the own would be found insufficient to cope

with the fires. The representatives of the powers, it is tated, will not attempt to fulfill their enagements to preserve the safety of the wn. They will protect the Turks and Turksh property, and will neglect the Chrislans and their belongings. No strong eforts were made to save the three houses efore mentioned, and in view of this pathy it would not be surprising if the Moslems should begin a course of wholesale estruction of the property of absentees.

THE SULTAN'S PREPARATIONS, Troops Getting Ready to Advance

on Athens. London, Feb. 24. - The Standard tomor w will publish a Constantinople dispatch rying it is reported that at the eld at the Yildiz palace yestering it was ventual advance upon Athens of three clumus, comprising all divisions of inrapid preceds the advance, demanding the vacuation of Crete within a certain period and threatening if this demand was not compiled with the Ottoman troops would

oss the frontier. The disputch says that the minister of arine has piedged his word that he would ave thirteen warships ready for action within a week. Military preparations are being pushed with unparalleled activity. Reports from various sources state that en ergetic preparations are being (a ried on day and night, although many of the instructions issued are impossible of exc ction, and an ugly feeling of unrest pre-

GOLD EXCITED GREED.

Soldiers Tried to Steal Money from

the Palace Safe. Athens, Feb. 24. - A dispatch from Canax ays that during the fire in the governor's sales there today the governor's safe ell from the floor on which it stood into he rules and burst open. The safe conained 27,000 Turkish money. The solthers, he had gathered about the burning buildng and Were engaged in trying to exnguish the flames, upon seeing the con ents of the safe exposed tried to steal ie money, but were prevented by the European officers, who directed the soil-

ors under their command to fire a volley of blank cartridges at the would be rathers. The incident nearly caused a riot between the Turks and Europeans. Issued Bey accused the sailors of plundering the palace, and an investigation was at nce begun by the admirals of the foreign Warships. The inquiry proved that the harges against the sailors were entirely

LANDED ON CRETE More Greek Soldiers Have Disem-

barked on the Island. istoritiople. Feb. 24. - Disputches have seen received by the Yurkish government aying that 600 Greek troops, with three gons and a large supply of ammunition have been innifed at Chersonesus, in province of Candha, Island of Crete. Greeks were directed by an insurgent

To Plead for Her Son's Life. Covington, Ky., Feb. 24. - Mrs. Jackson, he mother of Scott Jackson, will go to Frankfort this week to plead with Bradley for her sun's life. It is said that Mrs. Jackson has urged her son Scott to nake a full confession. It is believed Mrs. Jackson will be granted a private con cretice with her son and that he wall

Second Woman Lawyer in the State Trenton, N. J., Feb. 24 .- Among the sucressful applicants for admission to the bar yesterday was Moss Mary M. Steele, of Somerville, daughter of the late ex-Cor gressman Steele, of Semeraet county. She has been reading law in the office of Alva. A. Clark, and is the second woman lawyer

in New Jersey.

London, Feb. 24.-The Right Rev. Hon. Edward Carr Glynn was consecrated bishop of Peterboro in St. Pani's Cathedral, London, this forenoon, in the presence of a large and distinguished congregation. The ceremonies were conducted by the Arch The Legislative Muddle in Oregon,

Consecrated Bishop of Peterboro.

Salem. Oreg., Feb. 24. Both the senate and the Benson house yesterday voted to adjourn sine die today. When the joint convention met last evening only thirty-five members were present

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